# **ECONOMIC INDICATORS**

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# BALANCE ON GOODS AND SERVICES, AUSTRALIA, TREND 'n 500

**Statistics** 

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# UNEMPLOYMENT RATE, PERSONS, QUEENSLAND, TREND 12 10 8 May 1989 May May May 1993 1995 1997 May 1991

# INQUIRIES

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# AUSTRALIA

GOODS AND SERVICES

- The trend estimate of the balance on goods and services recorded a surplus of \$166m in April 1997, an increase of \$29m over the surplus recorded in March 1997. This is the fourteenth consecutive surplus on this balance.
- Exports of goods and services, in trend terms, increased \$70m, or 0.8% from March 1997 to April 1997, continuing the upward trend since September 1996. Imports of goods and services, in trend terms, increased \$41m, or 0.5% from March 1997 to April 1997, continuing the upward trend since August 1996.

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UNEMPLOYMENT RATE

Remained stable, in trend terms, at 9.7% for May 1997. For females, in trend terms, decreased 0.1 percentage point to 9.2% for May 1997. For males, in trend terms, remained stable at 10.1% for May 1997.

DWELLING UNITS APPROVED

Total dwelling units approved in Queensland, in trend terms, totalled 2,862 in April 1997, increasing 10.5% from April 1996 but decreasing 0.9% from March 1997.

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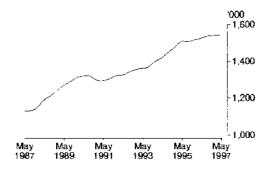
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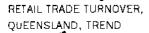
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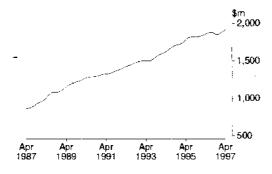
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EMPLOYED PERSONS, QUEENSLAND, TREND



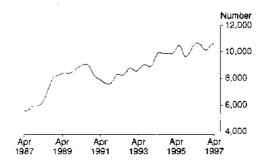
The number of employed persons in Queensland, in trend terms, was 1,546,500 in May 1997, increasing 1.3% from May 1996. Full-time employment for males decreased for the seventh consecutive month, recording a decrease of 1.9% from May 1996 to May 1997. Female full-time employment increased 1.2% for the same period.





Retail trade turnover in Queensland, in trend terms, increased for the fifth consecutive month, recording \$1,912.2m in April 1997.—This was an increase of 3.2% from the April 1996 figure.

NEW MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS, QUEENSLAND, TREND



In trend terms, the number of new motor vehicle registrations in Queensland for April 1997 was 10,667, an increase of 0.3% from April 1996 and 0.7% from March 1997.

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	Final consum	option expenditure	Gross fixed o	capital expenditure	Exports of goods and	Imports of goods and	Gross non-farm product –	Gross domestic product –
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September	66 127	18 035	19 915	4 595	25 816	25 039	106 770	110 668
December	66 494	18 119	20 343	4 753	26 183	25 503	107 698	111 720
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September	65 875	17 957	19 919	3 665	25 601	25 937	106 291	108 975
December	69 742	18 387	21 419	4 601	26 804	26 063	11 <b>1</b> 633	119 524
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Quarter	<i>Priv</i> ate	Government	Private	Public		
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			TREND (\$ m:l	ilon)		
1996		_				
March	10 988	2 867	3 362	1 105	18 322	17 665
June	11 080	2 877	3 558	1 070	1 <b>8 58</b> 5	17 897
September	11 134	2 876	3 775	976	18 761	18 126
December	11 173	2 884	3 957	884	18 898	18 326
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December	2.8	1.9	18.5	-19.0	4.2	5.C
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1996						
March	10 580	2 774	3 022	980	17 356	17 723
June -	10 898	2 997	3 647	1 457	18 999	17 938
September	11 166	2 <b>806</b>	3 800	767	18 539	18 047
December	11 741	2 972	4 250	865	19 828	18 393
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	TOTAL BUSINESS NAMES REGISTERED <sup>1</sup>	BANKRUPTCIES <sup>2</sup>	INTERSTAT	TE TRADE <sup>3</sup>
			Exports	Imports
Quarter	No.	No.	\$m	\$m
**********	********			
1 <del>99</del> 6				
June	176 658	1 051	1 668	3 395
September	176 668	1 225	1 528	3 372
December	178 440	1 156	1 479	3 478
1997				
March	180 829	1 443	1 389	3 191
*****			*****	
	% C	HANGE (from correspondi	ng period of prev	ìous year)
1996				
December	2.3	29.2	0.2	0.1
1997				
March	2.8	37.2	-8.4	2.4

FOREIGN TRADE.... .

	ul g	Exports	Imports
Month		\$m	\$m
*******			*****
1997			
January		<del>96</del> 0	784
February		1 111	682
March		896	666
April		1 176	706

% CHANGE (from corresponding period of previous year)

# 1997

-15.8	-1.5
10.2	1.4

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Stock at end of period. Source: Office of Consumer Affairs.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Source: Insolvency and Trustee Service Australia.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Source: Queensland Government Statistician.



# PRODUCTION AND CONSUMPTION

	Food, beverages	Textiles, clothing,	Chemicals, petroleum	Metai	Machinery and	
Quarter (	and tobacco	footwear and leather	and coal	products	equipment	Ali groups
******	******		******		*****	
			TREND			
996						
June	104.4	811	113.7	98.8	121.6	104.8
September	104.2	83.2	112.6	98.5	121.7	104.6
December	104.1	86.3	110.6	96.8	120.7	103.9
997						
March	103.8	88.8	109.1	94.9	120.0	103.3
*********		********			***********	*****
		TREND (% change from	om corresponding peri	od of previous y	/ear)	
997		•				
March	-1.6	6.9	-3.3	-3.6	1.2	-1.0
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			ORIGINAL			
996						
June	99.3	78.2	115.1	93,6	119.4	101.8
September.	103.7	85.9	112.5	104.4	130.4	108,3
December	114.8	89.1	113.5	99.1	119.9	107,9
997						
March	97.5	84.2	105.7	88.0	116.4	98.2
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al a	(	RIGINAL (% change f	rom corresponding pe	riod of previous	year)	
887						
<del>9</del> 97						

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	Rooms available	Room nights occupied	Room occupancy rate	Takings from accommodation	Units available	Unit nights occupied	Unit occupancy rate	Takings from accommodation		
Quarter	'000	'000'	%	\$m	000'	000	%	\$m		
1996	> 0 < > 6 > 0 < > 0	< > < + < + < > < > < > < > < > < > < >	0 < > 0 < > 0 > 0 < > 0	< > < > < < > < < > < < > < < > < < < <	· > o < > c > o < > o	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	· • • • › • × • • · • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	. 9 . ) . )		
June	43.7	2 278	57,6	218.2	18.8	846	49.4	52.6		
September	43.5	2 617	<b>6</b> 5.5	252.9	19.4	1 259	70.7	80.8		
December	44.4	2 557	62.7	262.6	20.2	1 142	61.7	81.6		
1 <del>99</del> 7										
March	44.5	2 289	57.3	229.9	20.0	1 028	57.3	75.9		
*******	********		******	********	<	******	********	******		
		% CI	HANGE (from cor	responding period	of previous v	ear)				
1996			·	<u>.</u>		,				
December 1997	5.2	4.4		6.9	7.3	7.2	1+	15.2		
March	4.2	0.8		1.3	6.0	2.8	··	10.3		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> At average 1989–90 prices. Base: 1989–90=100.0.



# PRODUCTION AND CONSUMPTION continued

MINERAL PRODUCTION		QUEENSLAND.				
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Counter   Coto   Coto		MINERAL PROD	DUCTION			EXPLORATION
1996			Copper <sup>2</sup>	Gold <sup>e</sup>	Totar <sup>2</sup>	
1996	Quarter	'000 tonnes	'000 tonnes	'000 kg	\$m	\$m
June 23 755.0 73.9 6.7 1 401.0 569 September 23 945.0 93.8 6.3 1 339 0 38.3 December 25 277.0 76.1 7.3 1 388.0 43.0 1997 Merch 24 149.0 56.3 6.4 1 381.0 n.y.a.  ***CHANGE (from corresponding period of previous year)**    1996		> < > > < > < > < > < > < > < > < > < >	0 < 9 0 + 9 < 9 0 < 9 0 < 9 0 <	*****	< > < . < < > < > < > < > < > < > < > <	< > < > < < < < < < < > < < < < < < < <
September   25 277.0   80.8   6.3   1389.0   38.3     December   25 277.0   76.1   7.3   1386.0   43.0     1997		22.766 n	73.0	6.7	1.401.0	58 O
Describer   25 277.0   75.1   7.3   1.286   43.0   43.0   1997   Merch   24 149.0   66.3   6.4   1.361   0   n.y.a   1996   1996   19.5   19.5   19.5   19.5   2.7   9.1   1997   Merch   6.4   0.6   -7.6   0.6   0.6   n.y.a   1997						
1997   March   24 149.0   66.3   6.4   1 391.0   n.y.a	•					
March   24 149.0   66.3   6.4   1 361.0   n.y.a.		20171.0	10.1	1.5	1 300.0	43.0
1996   15.8   19.5   -1.3.5   -2.7   9.1		24 149.0	65.3	6.4	1 361.0	п.у.а.
1996		9 <b>4 3 6 6 8 6 6 6 6 7 6 6 8</b>				. ) < . 0 < . 0 < 0
1997	1996		A OLIMNEE (ILL	an conservations beug	a ar previous year)	
QUEENSLAND	December	15.8	19.5	-13.5	-2.7	9.1
RETAIL TRADE TURNOVER NEW MOTOR VEH*CLE REGISTRATIONS?    Passenger vehicles   Total		9.4	0.9	-7.6	0.6	n.y.a.
RETAIL TRADE TURNOVER NEW MOTOR VEH*CLE REGISTRATIONS?    Passenger vehicles   Total	********	****	* * * * * * * * *		• • • • <b>8 8</b> 8 8 8 8 9 9 9	****
RETAIL TRADE TURNOVER NEW MOTOR VEH*CLE REGISTRATIONS?    Passenger vehicles   Total	- <b>*</b>	_				
RETAIL TRADE TURNOVER NEW MOTOR VEH*CLE REGISTRATIONS?    Passenger vehicles   Total	<u>-</u>	- <b>-</b>				<u>.                                    </u>
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<sup>1</sup> Source: Queensland Coal Board. <sup>2</sup> Source: Queensland Department of Mines and Energy.					-3.4	
	April	4.1		13.3	11.1	
<sup>3</sup> Excluding motor cycles, mobile equipment and trailers.		<sup>1</sup> Source: Queensk	and Coal Board.	<sup>2</sup> Source: Queenslan	d Department of Mines and	Energy,
		<sup>3</sup> Excluding motor c	ycles, mobile equipment a	nd trailers.		

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	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE				PART	ICIPATION F	RATE	RTICIPATION RATE			
	Males	Females	Persons	Persons aged 15 to 19 years	5 Males	Female	s Pers	ons			
Month	%	%	%	%	%	96	%				
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1997			TF	REND							
February	10.0	9.4	9.7	n.a.	74,1	55.0	64.5	5			
March	10.1	9.3	9.7	n.a.	73.9	55.0	64.4				
April	10.1	9.3	9.7	n.a.	73.7	55.0	64.3				
May	10.1	9.2	9.7	n₋a.	73.6	55.0	64.2				
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			or	IGINAL							
<b>,99</b> 7											
February	10.8	10.5	10.7	24.8	74.3	<b>5</b> 5.9	65.0				
March	11.3	9.6	10.6	24.1	74.1	55.2	64.€				
April	10.3	9.1	9.8	20.7	73.7	54.9	64.2				
May	9,9	9.6	9.8	21.5	73.4	55.0	64.1	L			
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	FULL-Til	ME	PART-TIN	ΛΕ	TOTAL						
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	****	********			*******		*****		,		
				TREND (	(000)						
. <b>997</b> February	773.3	376.0	103.6	291.4	1 544.3	97.2	69.3	166.5	1 710.8		
March	770.5	375.4	105.1	294.1	1 545.1	98.0	68.8	166.8	1 711.8		
April	768.2	375.0	106.6	296.2	1 545.9	98.1	68.4	166.6	1 712.5		
May	766.6	374.8	107.6	297.5	1 546,5	98.3	68.3	166.6	1 713.1		
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1997			·					8.0	4.8		
May	-1.9	1.2	8.5	7.6	1.3	10.6	2.1	გ.9	1.8		
May		1.2	8.5	7.6	1.3	10.6	2.1				
May		1.2	8.5	7.6	1.3	10.6	2.1				
May 		1.2	8.5	7.6 ORIGINAL	1.3	10.6	2.1	* * * * * * * * * *	****		
May	773.9	1.2 376.6	97.1	7.6 ORIGINAL 293.1	1.3 ('000) 1 540.6	10.6	2.1 ************************************	184.5	1 725.1		
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	Mining	uring	Construction	retail trade	restaurants	storage	insurance	services	defence	Education	services	Other	Total
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May August	21.9 1 <b>9</b> .7	173,8 165.4	123.0 128.8	323.3	76.0	86.7	48.1	137.0	66.7	112.5	137.5	217.5	1 524.
November	20.6	168.8	129.9	326.1 328.6	81.8 86.3	87.3 83.9	46.9 47.7	138.2 147.6	62.1 65.3	107. <b>8</b> 108.6	139.6 147.4	222.9 215.4	1 526. 1 550.
997	20.0	100.0	120.0	020.0	30.3	<b>33</b> .9	47.7	147.0	90.3	100.0	141.4	215.4	1 550.
February	15.3	171.8	127.1	334.6	88.6	90.5	45.7	140.7	66.2	106.0	138.2	216.0	1 540.
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997			% C!	HANGE (fro	om corresp	onding pe	eriod of pr	evious ye	ar)				
February	-9.5	-6.4	-0.7	3.6	20.9	11.2	1.6	<b>-4</b> .9	-2.8	5.1	1.2	3.2	1.
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December <b>995</b>	<b>7</b> 19.1		4	7.5	193.	4	32.7		273.6				
January	726.6		4!	5.7	186.	1	32.7		264.6				
February	740.1			5.4	191.		33.4		270.4				
March	741.6		4!	5.5	193.	1	33.8		272.4				
******								*****	23.74				
995	%6	CHANGE (	(from corre	sponding p	eriod of pr	evious ye	ar)						
March	6.8		;	1.3	-1.	1	0.3		-0.6				
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August November	679.		569.8 579.8			9.0 9.0			0.97 1.01				
<b>997</b> February	697.	ർവ	581.8	0		40.0			0.00				
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996			% CHANGE	Anoth cat	ieshongiu <b>g</b>	quarter (	» previous	year)					
	-	3,9	5.	1		32.4			-3.8				
November	3	1.4	J.	_		02.			2.0				
November 1 <b>97</b> February		.2	5.			69.4			-6.6				



# LABOUR AND DEMOGRAPHY—Queensland continued

ESTIMATED	RESIDENT
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POPULATION POPULATION GROWTH DURING PERIOD.....

		Natural increase	Net estimated interstate migration	Net estimated overseas migration	Total
Quarter	'000	No.	No.	No.	No.
1996	*********		***********	* * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *	C > 0 K > 0 K > C >
March	3 324.2	7 51 <b>2</b>	10 <b>9</b> 75	4 393	22 880
June	3 339.1	ð <b>1</b> 51	6 662	2 843	15 656
September	3 357,7	5 901	7 947	4 717	18 565
December	3 374,3	5 636	8 233	2 748	16 617

% CHANGE (from corresponding period of previous year)

1996

December 2.2 0.6 –18.3 –3.7 –10.4

ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION AT 30 JUNE.....

~	. —	B <b>ris</b> bane <sup>1</sup> _	Moreton <sup>2</sup>	Wide Bay-Burnett <sup>1</sup>	Far North¹ -	_Qu <del>ee</del> nsland .
Year		'000	'000	'000 ·	'000	°000
******		*****	**********		*******	
1992-93		1 421.6	533.7	209.3	190.4	3 116.0
1993-94		1 454.4	558.7	216.1	195.7	3 196.1
1994-95		1 488.9	584.2	222.5	200.9	3 277.1
1995-96		1 525.5	606.0	227.7	206.0	3 354.7

INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES AWARD RATES OF PAY INDEXES?

SHORT-TERM OVERSEAS MOVEMENT

FULL-TIME ADULT EMPLOYEES

ARRIVALS

DEPARTURES

	Working days lost	Males	Females			
Month	,000	Index No.	Index No.	'000	'000	
	*******		*****	*********		
1996						
December	6.3	146.5	150.0	164.1	153.2	
1997						
January	1.7	146.5	150.2	151.4	144.8	
February	1.3	146.5	150.2	143.3	125.8	
March	22.5	146.6	150.3	148.4	140.9	

% CHANGE (from corresponding period of previous year)

		w criminal (main conceptualing period or provided year)									
1 <del>9</del> 97											
February		1,5	1.5	4.2	5,0						
March	**	1.5	1.4	9.4	13.4						

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Statistical Division.

 $<sup>^{2}</sup>$  Base: June 1985 = 100.0.



# BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION—Queensland

	BUILDING A	APPROVALS						
	TREND		ORIGINAL	*************				
	New houses	Total dwelling units	New houses	New other residential buildings	Total dwelling units	Value of dwelling units approved	Value of non-residential buildings approved	Total value o all building approved
Month	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	\$m	\$m	\$m
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1997								
January	1 948	2 859	1 569	661	2 239	213.3	202.2	430.3
February	1 977	2 881	1 804	882	2 700	248.4	140.2	405.8
March	2 007	2 887	1 870	972	2 846	269.4	144.1	432.8
April	2 028	2 862	2 052	685	2 748	258.2	<b>122</b> .5	404.3
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1997		% CHA	NGE (from corre	sponding pe	riod of previou	ıs year)		
April	1.0	10.5	-2.1	20.4 >> >	2.7	1.0	-53.2	-24.8 • • • • • • •
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www.www.	DWELLING  New houses	UNIT COMMEN  New other  residential  buildings	NCEMENTS  Value of new residential building	Value of non-residents building	4	ENGINEERING  Value of work commenced	CONSTRUCTION  Value of work done	* 0 * 0 \$ \$
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<b>3 8 8 8 8 9 8</b> Quarter  1996  March	DWELLING  New houses  No.	UNIT COMMEN  New other residential buildings  No.	NCEMENTS  Value of new residential building  \$m	Value of non-resident building \$m	4	ENGINEERING  Value of work  commenced  \$m	G CONSTRUCTION  Value of work done  Sm	* * * * * * *
<b>Quarter Quarter</b> March  June	DWELLING  New houses  No.  4 835 6 086	UNIT COMMEN  New other residential buildings  No.  2 042 2 147	NCEMENTS  Value of new residential building  \$m  666.0 858.5	Value of non-resident building \$m 591.3 731.0	<b></b> al	ENGINEERING  Value of work  commenced  \$m  616.0 622.8	CONSTRUCTION  Value of work done  Sm  674.4 801.6	* 0 * 0 \$ \$
Quarter  Quarter  1996  March June September	* * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *	UNIT COMMEN  New other residential buildings  No.  2 042 2 147 2 142	NCEMENTS  Value of new residential building  \$m  666.0 858.5 769.1	Value of non-resident building \$m 591.3 731.0 551.2	al	ENGINEERING  Value of work commenced  \$m  616.0 622.8 1 175.7	CONSTRUCTION  Value of work done  Sm  674.4  801.6 889.6	* * * * * * *
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# PRICE INDEXES

	AUSTRALIA			• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •			******				****
	Articles produ	ced by manut	acturing industr	'y²	***************************************		Materials	used in manufa	cturing industry	Export*	Import*
	Food, beverages	Basic metal	Petroleum and coal	Transport	Fabricated metal		Imported	Domestic	Ali		
lonth	and tobacco	products	products	equipment	products	All groups	materials	materials	materials	Ali groups	All group
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<b>996</b> December	126.9	101.7	137.7	121.5	120.8	121.6	109.3	103.9	40E 0	00.7	100.0
997	120.5	101.1	131.1	121.0	120.0	121.0	109.5	105.9	105.8	90.7	108.0
January	127.1	102.8	138.9	122.1	120.9	122.0	109.8	105.9	107.2	91.6	108.8
February	127.4	103.8	138.7	122.0	121.0	122.3	109.4	105.3	106.7	92.9	109.3
March	127.4	103.8	1 <b>3</b> 7.3	121.2	121.1	122.2	107.4	104.0	105.1	91.6	107.1
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			% CHANGE								
997			70 CHANGE	(110111 20111	esponding	penou or	previous ye	ai)			
March	0.9	-4.7	7.9	-1.5	1.3	0.7	-7.0	-1.0	-3.3	-3.8	-5.6
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-	BRISBANE			QUEENSLAI	ND::						
·						F	stablished	Prices received	d Prices pald	l Farm	ers' terms
	Consumer pri	ce index²			····		ouse <sup>2</sup>	by farmers*	by farmers		
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art <del>er</del>	Food	Housing	Trans	portation	All groups						
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996											
June	117.8	112.5	122.1	l	120.4	1	37.1	109.4	127.5	84.1	3
September	117.7	112.4	122.2	2	120.6	1	37.5	104.5	129.1	80.	5
December	118.0	109.6	123.3	3	120.8	1	36.1	101.8	127.7	78.	3
997 March	119.8	106.4	124.4	1	121.5	r	n.y.a.	102.0	126.4	80.	7
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			% CHANGE	(from corre	esponding	period of	orevious ye	ar)			
997		г.	•	5	4.7			0.0			_
March	2.4	-5.1	3.2	2	1.6	r	ı.y.a.	<del>-9</del> ,0	-1.4	<b>-6</b> .	5
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	BRISBANE								*****		
	Materials use	d in house bu	iilding <sup>o</sup>	Materi	als used in bu	uilding other	than house <sup>z</sup>	****************	*17.		
onth (	All groups			Struct	ural steel	Rea	dy-mixed conc	rete All gro	oups		
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997											
January	115.1			136.1	-	103	.4	115.7	7		
February	115.0			136.1		104	.6	116.1			
March	116.0			1,36.1		104		116.9			
April	1 <b>1</b> 6.0			1,34.4	1	105	.4	116.4	4		
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		% CHANGE	(from corre	sponding	period of p	revious ye	ar)				
997				. 3,	,-	,	•				
April	1.6			-2.7	7	1	.4	1.3	3		
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	<sup>1</sup> Base: 198	<b>88-89=1</b> 00.0	. f Base	: 1989-90=	100.0.	Source:	Australian Bu	reau of Agricultu	ural and Resourc	ce Economic	S
	4 Barry 400	7 00-100 0									

<sup>4</sup> Base: 1987-88=100.0.



# BANKING AND FINANCE

	QUÉENS	3LAND—ALL E	BANKS"			QUEENSLAN	D—BU LDING :	SOCIETIE	s	**************
	DEPOSI	TS		. LOA	NS	LENDING OP	ERATIONS			.,
	Term	Other <sup>2</sup>	Total	Othe	er lending <sup>a</sup>	Loans advanced	Lending com ments unus		eipts	Withdrawa
fonth	\$m	Sm	\$m	\$m		\$m\	Sm	\$m		Sm
*****	******	****	*******							*****
996 December	23 751	20 375	44 :	126 56	093	61,6	88.3	ç	926.8	959.4
997										
January	23 562	20 650	44 :	· <del>-</del> :	163	61.C	93.2		901.5	914.1
February	23 420	20 873	44 :		485	58.0	108.5		971.5	950.7
March	23 347	20 927	44 :	274 57	738	63.7	104.9	٤	904.7	<b>85</b> 9.0
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997			% CHANGE	(from correspo	inding perio	od of previous y	ear)			
March	16.0	21.6	1	8.6 1	.4.6	-58.6	-48.8	-	-54.4	-56.6
÷. 4	- PERSONA	.L	Finance				Finance		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	LEASE
	All banks	cooperatives	companies	Other	Total			her :	Total	Total
onth	\$m	Sm	\$m	\$m	\$m	Sm	Sm \$r	ກ !	\$m	\$m
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996	36E 2	26.0	60.0	14.5	100.7	1.030.0	450.5			407.0
December <b>397</b>	365.2	36.8	80.0	14.6	496.7	1 208.0	153.5 1	23.1 .	1 484.6	127.8
Jahuary	384.0	37.0	86.0	12.3	519.3	1 363.0	140.9	50.8	1 554.7	110.4
February	398.6	40.1	78.8	14.2	531.8			80.8	1 282.2	122.0
March	438.6	36.3	78.9	13.7	567. <b>6</b>	1 457.0	155.1	80.8	1 728.2	137.7
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207		!	% CHANGE	(frem correspo	nding perio	d of previous ye	ear)			
997 March	14.6	0.5	-28.4	-32.7	3.3	28.4	6.9 ~	13.4	25.8	-16.2
* * * * * * * * *	QUEENSL	* * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *	* * * * * *	FOR OWNER	* * * * * *	* * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *	JSTRALIAINT	eeest R	* * * * * ATES	* * * * * *
		Pern	nanent			He	using loans for			
	All banks		ing societies	Other lenders	Total		ner occupation			
lonth	\$m	\$m		\$m	\$m	%				
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			.4	65.4	665.3		8.3			
<b>996</b> December	560.5	39					0.2			
996 December 997			2	E7 E	ውው <u>ው</u>		8.3			
996 December 997 January	563.8	42		57.5 71.0	663.6 760.0					
996 December 997			.9	57.5 71.0 60.6	663.6 760.0 760.8		7.6 7.6			
996 December 997 January February	563.8 636.1 657.4	42 52 42	.9 .8	71.0 60.6	760.0 760.8	c: 0 x 0 x + 0 x 2 0 .	7.6 7.6	J 0 6 2 6 4 5		
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# **BUSINESS EXPECTATIONS**

	AUSTR.	A_IA					••••			QUEENSLAM
	TRADIN PERFO	NG RMANCE.	••••	INVESTI	MENT	EMPLOY- MENT	OPERATING EXPENSES			SALES
uarter	Sales	Selling prices	Profit	Capital	Stocks			Imports	Exports	
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	SHO	RT-TERM	OUTLOOK	—Expected	aggregate	e change fro	m the previou	s quarte	r (%)	
996 Santanahar	4.0	0.0	4.6							
September December <b>397</b>	1.6 1.6	0.2 0.2	4.2 3.7	2.0 2.6	0.2 -0.6	0.3 0.3	1.3 1.4	2.7 1.4	2.6 2.6	1.4 1.2
March	0.4	0.1	-2.9	5.8	0.1	-0.4	0.8	0.5	0.6	-O.4
June	1.6	0.3	7.8	3.4	<del></del> 0.3	••	1.0	5.9	1.6	1.4
							sponding quar			**************************************
997	n-icitivi Oc	) [ COOK	rxbected	aggregate t	riigiige iru	im the corre	sponding quar	tel ni fil	e previous	syear (76)
June	3.6	1.5	13.5	1.1	≎.4	0.5	2.2	2.8	5.2	3.6
September	3.1	1.2	10.1	6.6		0.6	2.4	3.6	4.7	2.5
December	3.1	0.9	9.6	1.2		0.3	2.2	2.1	3.4	3.3
998	• 0.1	0.5	3.0	*		0.5	2.2			
_	2.9 * * * * * * *	O.9 • * * * * * -	12.2	3.2 * * * * * *	0.3	0.5	1.8	3.0 8.8 % # ·	3.8 * * * * *	2.5 * & * * * * * * *
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 $<sup>^{\</sup>circ}$  Not directly comparable with estimates of actual capital expenditure due to likely over/under realisation.

# **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

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1 This publication contains latest estimates for a comprehensive range of economic indicators. Statistics shown in this publication are the latest available at the date of preparation. In a number of cases figures appearing in this publication are preliminary and are subject to revision in subsequent issues. Reference should therefore always be made to the latest issue or to the statistical publication on the specific subject.

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- **2** Seasonal adjustment is a means of removing the estimated effects of normal seasonal variation from the series so that the effects of other influences on the series can be more clearly recognised. Seasonal adjustment does not aim to remove the irregular or non-seasonal influences which may be present in any particular month. This means that month-to-month movements of the seasonally adjusted estimates may not be reliable indicators of trend behaviour.
- **3** The smoothing of seasonally adjusted series reduces the impact of the irregular components of the seasonally adjusted series and creates trend estimates. These trend estimates are derived by applying a 13–term Henderson-weighted moving average to all months except the last six. The last six monthly trend estimates are obtained by applying surrogates of the Henderson average to the seasonally adjusted series. Trend series are used to analyse the underlying behaviour of the series over time.
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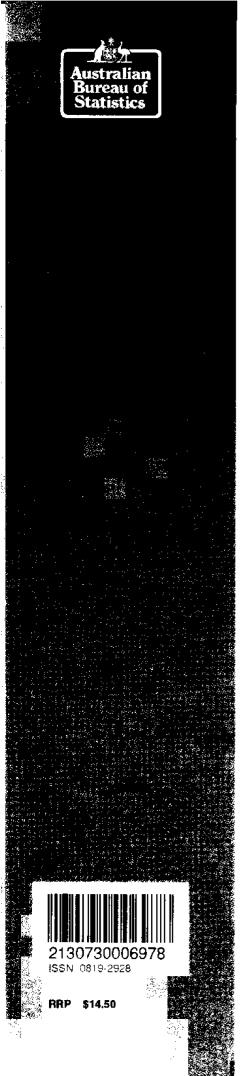
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# SYMBOLS AND OTHER USAGES

n.a. not available
n.y.a. not yet available
.. not applicable
.. nil or rounded to zero



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